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27 March 1968

25X1 MEMORANDUM FOR: [] D/BGI

SUBJECT : Expression of Appreciation for O/BGI Support

REFERENCE : Saigon 9823 (IN 68263)

1. The various sub-components of the Cartographic Division of O/BGI have provided continuous and exceptional support to the Vietnamese Affairs Staff, particularly our [] This support has included the annotation, assembly and mounting of numerous maps, charts and briefing aids and the construction of charts and maps for high level Government officials all over Washington.

2. As you are aware, a terrain model of the Khe Sanh area was recently created largely through the personal initiative of [] and under the supervision and guidance of [] and some of his people personally conducted the initial informal liaison with many people in both Naval Reconnaissance and Technical Support Center and Army Map Service and laid the ground work to ensure a quick response to formal requirements. Once these liaisons had been established, [] simultaneously surfaced his ideas and the results of his investigation to SAVA and elements within your component. As a result of his work and with the assistance of his people and the personnel of related components and the cooperation of Army and Navy, a most unique and extremely necessary cartographic aid was made available to the community in a minimum amount of time.

3. The service provided by [] people during the Tet Offensive and prior to that time during the construction and support aspects of the establishment of VAS/[] has always been outstanding. When I speak of [] people, I include Mr. [] special branch, Mr. [] shop and, of course [] shop. I feel it is only

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25X1 appropriate to mention a few of the many people involved, whose cooperation,
25X1 willingness and enthusiasm has been so much appreciated by me and my staff.

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4. The attached cable from Saigon will indicate how the efforts of your colleagues are making a contribution in the field as well as in Washington and that the circle of their appreciative customers is indeed a wide one.

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Attachment

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